

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church

We are glad you are here!

9:30 A.M. Worship

10:45 A.M. Sunday School

September 13, 2009

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The Gathering

Music, fellowship with family and friends, announcements.

Gathering Music

Mr. Andrew Salyer

Call to Worship (Psalm 19, Mark 8)

The heavens are singing, proclaiming God's creation.

Glory to God, and praise to God's name!

God's law is perfect; God's teachings are sure.

Rejoice, O heart; be revived, O soul!

Christ's way is clear; the way is right.

May we follow God's path, and live in Christ's light!

Opening Hymn UMH 601

Thy Word Is A Lamp

The Renewal

Opening Prayer (Proverbs 1, Psalm 19, Mark 8)

God of wisdom and truth, speak to us now. Inspire us with your word.

Speak clearly to our hearts, Wisdom raises her voice and calls to us now.

Pour out your thoughts, God of love and life, that we may walk in your ways.

Children's Moment

Scripture Lesson

Mark 8:27-38

Karl Luth, Reader

Witness to the Word

Pastor Mike Fender

The Response

Response to the Word or Benediction (Psalm 19)

The heavens tell of your glory, O God.

May our lives tell the story of your grace!

The earth proclaims your creative power, mighty one.

May our actions proclaim your amazing love!

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering and Offertory

Mr. Andrew Salyer

\* Benediction (Psalm 19, Mark 8)

May the words of our mouths be acceptable and true.

May the meditations of our hearts be loving and pure.

May the actions of our lives be grace-filled and kind.

May we go where Christ leads and walk in God's truth.

\*Choral Benediction UMH 451

Be Thou My Vision

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of Thanksgiving: for all the wonderful Grandparents.

Prayers for our Active Duty Military Personnel:

Prayers For Upcoming Events and Our Community: Students returning to school.

Prayers for: Our Home Bound and Nursing Home Members; All Congregations in Jacksonville;

Our Bishop; Our District Superintendent; Our Pastor; Our Church; Its Ministry; and Its

Stewardship.

SEPTEMBER MISSION EMPHASIS

H.E.L.P.S. Ministry is our Mission Emphasis of the month. We've put a list on the Mission table of their needs. Please donate what you can. Any monetary donations will be accepted in the office.

MIDWEST MISSION DISTRIBUTION CENTER NEEDS

Crayola crayons ( 24 count), spiral notebooks (8 in. x 10 ½ in. – 70 to 80 pages and wide or narrow rule), 12" rulers, with metric measurement, blunt student scissors and "Pink" erasers (approx. 1" x 2").

CROP WALK

Our youth are again participating in CROP WALK to be held Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. They will be collecting money, as well as canned goods. This is a Church World Service project and 10% of the monetary proceeds will go to our local food bank. Credit is given for the national total of canned goods, but all canned goods we collect will also go to our local food bank. Please help as this year has been especially hard for many families in our community and we need to remember just how blessed many of us are to be able to help.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Food Bank Sunday

9:00 a.m. Fellowship - Parlor

9:30 a.m. Worship

10:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship – Deaf Faith Community

1:00 p.m. Deaf Youth Ministry

4:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth

5:30 p.m. Sr. High Youth

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7:00 p.m. Deaf Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

11:30 a.m. Worship Time

12:00 p.m. Food & Fellowship

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Committee on Finance

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:30 a.m. UMW District Annual Meeting @ Centenary UMC